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BUDGET DOCUMENT 1990-1991

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BUDGET CALENDAR 1990/1991

PREPARE BUDGET		APRIL ---
PUBLISH NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING		APRIL 23, 1990
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING		MAY 3, 1990
APPROVE BUDGET	APPROX	MAY 15, 1990
PUBLISH BUDGET HEARING NOTICE		MAY 21, 1990
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ENACT RESOLUTIONS to: Adopt Budget Make Appropriations Levy Taxes by Fund		JUNE 19, 1990

BUDGET MESSAGE 1990/1991

The budget for the year 1990/91 makes no major changes to the budget of the previous year. This budget provides essentially the same level of service as the current budget. This budget does, however, present two new funds, a debt service fund for the sewer system, and a reserve fund for bicycle and footpath construction/maintenance.

The current sewer bonds were retired in this year, and the new bonds will not require payments until the 91/92 fiscal year. It is necessary to establish a fund, at this time, to account for current transfers for the sewer debt and the interim loan interest and principal payments. The existing combined debt fund will transfer $10,000 of the approximately $36,000 beginning cash balance to the new debt fund. The 89/90 budget allocated $17,000 for loan fee payments. These payments will not be required in the current year. These funds will therefore be carried over and transferred to the sewer debt fund at the beginning of the year. The present debt fund will continue to account for the water bond debt.

The state requires a minimum of one percent of all hiway tax receipts received by the City to be expended on bicycle and/or foot paths. To account for these required expenditures a reserve fund is being established. This fund will receive $2,400 transferred from the street fund, for the amount of funds thus far accumulated, ie. 1% of receipts for the last 10 years. The fund will also receive approximately $700 from the current year's receipts.

The General fund budget presented provides a 6% cost of living raise for all employee positions except the Recorder. The Recorder position while remaining at the current rate is increased to reflect a 40 hr work week rather than the current 32.2 hour week. The fund has money budgeted to cover the cost of repairing the remainder of the Opera House roof. The General Fund is budgeted to make a transfer of $7,388 to the Parks & Leisure Fund for program subsidy.

The Administrative department has budgeted money for a new computer system $1,600. The existing system is adequate for the time being. However, the general accounting and water billing are now taxing the limits of the present machine's capacity. The printer is also beginning to show the effects of wear. It is wise to increase the capacity and reliability of the system as soon as possible. The existing computer would be transferred to the police department, primarily for preparing reports. There is also money budgeted for beginning the codification of the City's ordinances.

The police department remains essentially as at present. This budget retains the TV training system. Office equipment includes money for a FAX machine, a portion of which is shared with the Admin. department. This would allow the delivery of reports to the DA without the need to travel to La Grande.

The remaining General fund Departments are essentially the same as last year. An exception is the 911 equipment for police, fire, and ambulance to be purchased with grant funds from the 911 dispatch system.

The Water & Sewer Funds are budgeted for an increase in rates. The Water Fund rate increase is $1.50/month and Sewer is $.50/month. These increases fall short of the required funds for all bonded debt and reserve requirements. An alternate rate increase is shown which would be adequate to cover these expenses. The required increases is probably not feasible in one year, though the committee should give it some serious consideration.

The Street Fund is much healthier this year than in the past. Due to an increase in the state fuel tax, we are expecting nearly $18,000 more this year than last year. There will be additional increases in the future, though not of this magnitude. This should allow some progress to be made on improvement and maintenance of our streets.

The parks and leisure fund is at the same level of service as last year. The proposed budget requires all the expected state revenue sharing funds and $7,388 in additional monies from the General Fund.

The tax levy for the proposed budget is 8% greater than last year. This increase is a 6% increase for the General Fund levy, and a 22% increase for Bonded Debt levy. The City valuation for this year will be approximately $18,000,000. The proposed budget will thus require a tax rate, per $1,000 valuation of about $11.10 . This rate compares to rates of $10.60 for this year and $12.10 for 88/89.

Joe Garlitz
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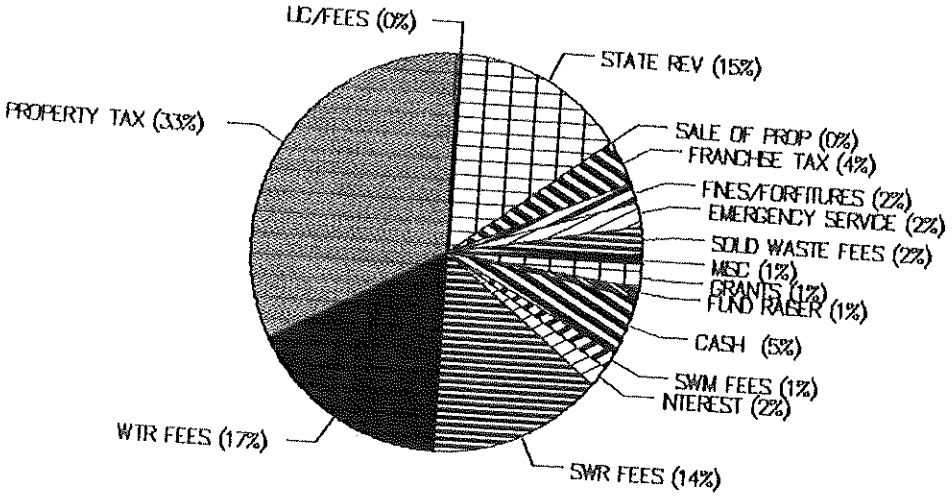

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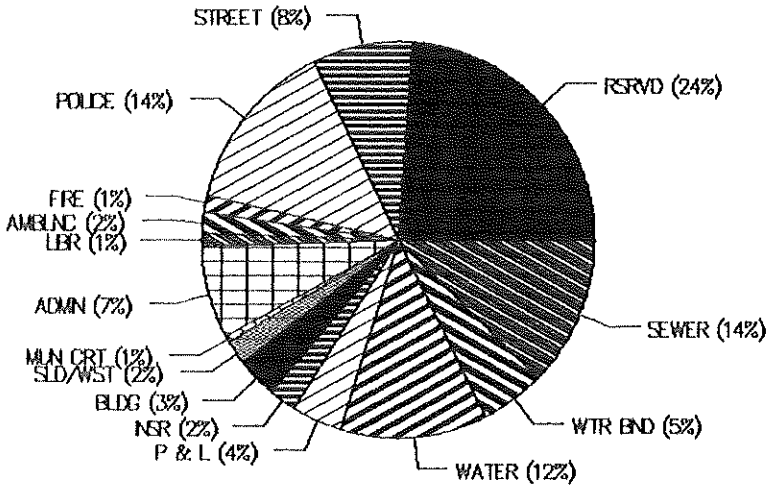

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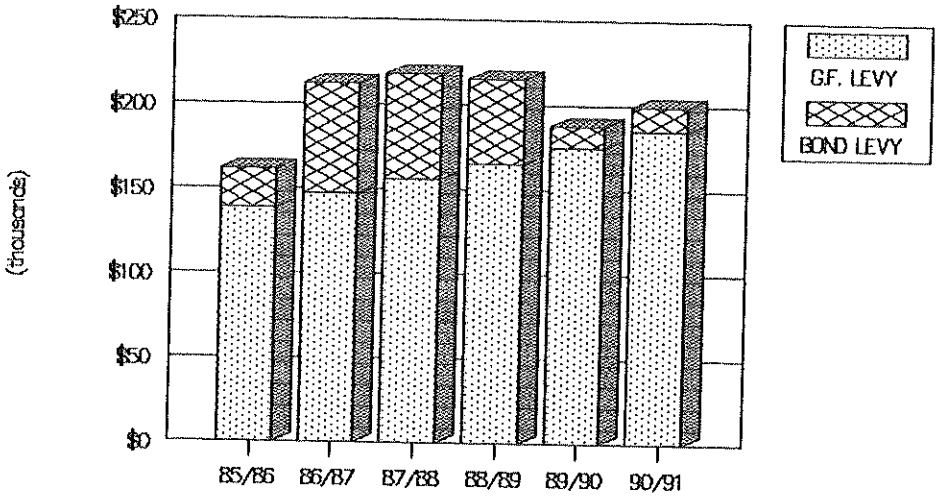

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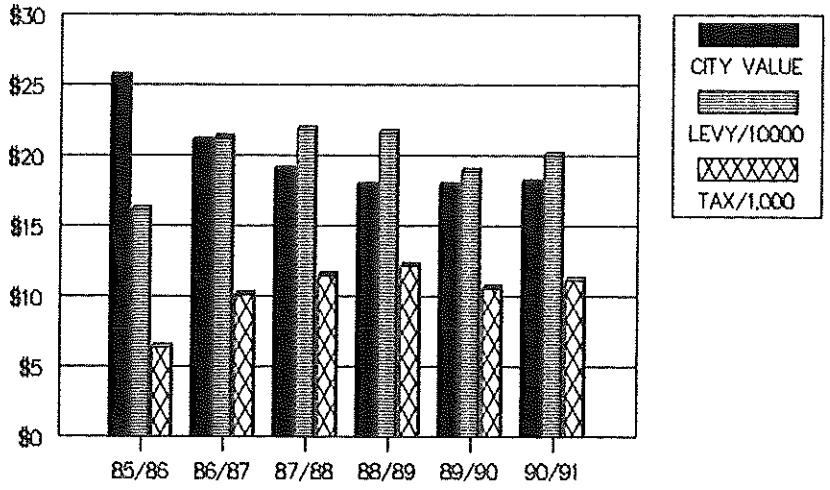

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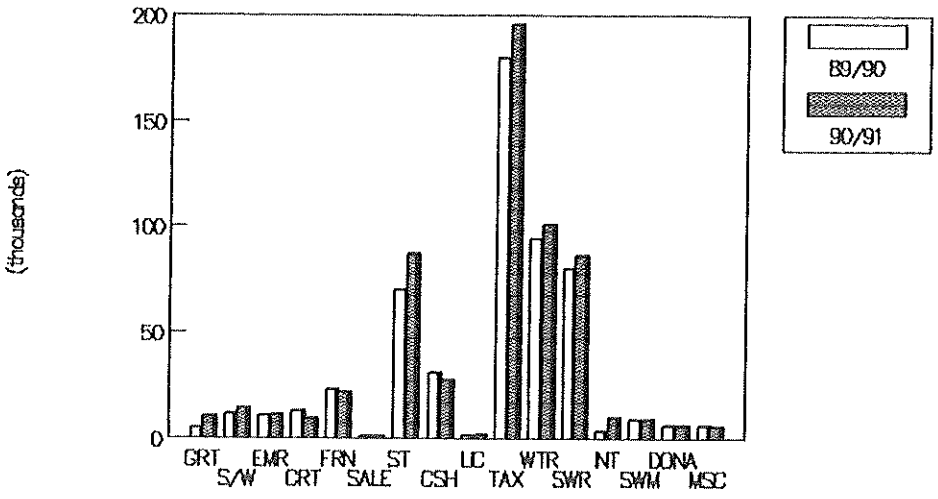

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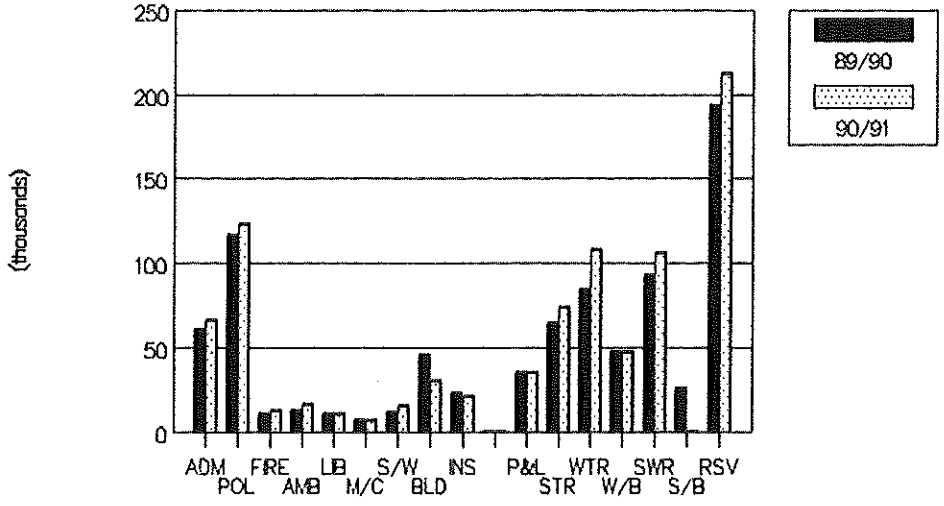

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